

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human Services

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases
Advisory Council

3b. GSA

Committee No.

129

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

10/31/2016

6. Expected Renewal Date

10/31/2018

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

42 U.S.C. 284a

13. Effective Date

11/20/1985

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this
Fiscal Year

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 3 17d. Total 3 Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
Program Advisory/Second Level Peer Review	02/07/2018	- 02/07/2018
Program Advisory/Second Level Peer Review	06/12/2018	- 06/12/2018
Program Advisory/Second Level Peer Review	09/05/2018	- 09/05/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 3

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$8,200.00	\$8,200.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$92,448.00	\$94,205.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$32,983.00	\$33,387.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$7,892.00	\$7,993.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$18,292.00	\$18,658.00
18d. Total	\$159,815.00	\$162,443.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.80	0.80

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The committee is composed of both scientific and public members who provide the second level of peer review, advise the Institute on policy development, program implementation and evaluation, and identify research needs and opportunities of the Institute. The National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council reviewed 2,963 applications requesting \$1,173,534,806 in total costs.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council is composed of eighteen appointed members with research interests and responsibilities paralleling those of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Disease. Twelve members are scientists who are outstanding medical or scientific authorities in the fields of arthritis and musculoskeletal and skin diseases, including sports-related disorders, and six members are representatives of the general public with interests in public affairs, public policy, law, health policy, economics and management as they relate to the Institute's areas of interests.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Advisory Council met three times this fiscal year with one early concurrence voting session. In addition, the Committee's Working Group met three times this fiscal year. The National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council provides advice on a continuing basis on the type of scientific research programs that should be supported and on how to carry out the designated mission and responsibilities of the Institute. It also provides ongoing review of the relevance and effectiveness of the existing programs.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council comprises both scientific and public members who provide the second level review for research grant applications; advise on policy development, program implementation and evaluation; and identify research needs and opportunities of the Institute. The quality, scope, and balance of advice from this Council cannot be obtained from NIH staff or from other established sources because the membership of the Council is constituted to meet the specific

requirements of the mandated mission of the Council and of the Institute.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

The meetings of the National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council were closed for the review of grant applications. Sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act permit the closing of meetings where discussion could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

21. Remarks

Committee Function: Other - National Scientific and Advisory. Reports: This committee did not produce any reports during this fiscal year. Members: an administrative extension was given for the following members - Bechtold, Holers, Khosla, Seiden, Paller, Katz.

Designated Federal Officer

Melinda Nelson Acting Director, Division of Extramural Research

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Azar, Alex	01/29/2018	01/20/2021	Secretary, HHS	Ex Officio Member
BECHTOLD, JOAN	01/07/2015	03/30/2019	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Buyon, Jill	09/04/2018	09/30/2021	Director	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
CASTRO LEWIS, MAGDALENA	01/10/2016	09/30/2019	VICE PRESIDENT FOR PROGRAMS	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
COLLINS, FRANCIS	08/16/2009	01/20/2021	DIRECTOR	Ex Officio Member
Del Gaizo, Vincent	09/04/2018	09/30/2021	Founding Member and Chair	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
ECONS, MICHAEL	09/05/2017	09/30/2020	GLENN W. IRWIN, JR. PROFESSOR OF ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
HOLERS, VERNON	04/19/2015	03/30/2019	PROFESSOR AND HEAD	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hargan, Eric	10/10/2017	01/29/2018	Acting Secretary, HHS	Ex Officio Member
JAMES, JUDITH	01/22/2017	09/30/2020	VICE PRESIDENT OF CLINICAL AFFAIRS	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
KATZ, STEPHEN	10/10/2016	03/30/2019	DIRECTOR	Ex Officio Member
KHOSLA, SUNDEEP	04/19/2015	03/30/2019	PROFESSOR AND DISTINGUISHED INVESTIGATOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
LERNER, ETHAN	01/24/2016	09/30/2019	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF DERMATOLOGY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
MARKOFF, ROSEMARY	01/22/2017	09/30/2020	TREASURER	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
MULVIHILL, WILLIAM	01/10/2016	09/30/2019	SPECIAL ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
PALLER, AMY	05/17/2015	03/30/2019	WALTER J. HAMLIN PROFESSOR AND CHAIR OF DERMATOLOGY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SEIDEN, RICHARD	04/19/2015	03/30/2019	PARTNER	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
TAPSCOTT, STEPHEN	01/10/2016	09/30/2019	FULL MEMBER	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

WRIGHT, DON
YASZEMSKI,
MICHAEL

09/29/2017 10/10/2017 ACTING SECRETARY, HHS
09/05/2017 09/30/2020 JOHN AND POSY KREHBIEL ENDOWED
PROFESSOR

Ex Officio Member
Special Government
Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 20

Narrative Description

The goal of NIH research is to acquire new knowledge to help prevent, detect, diagnose, and treat disease and disability, from the rarest genetic disorder to the common cold. The NIH mission is to uncover new knowledge that will lead to better health for everyone. NIH works toward that mission by: conducting research in its own laboratories; supporting the research of non-Federal scientists in universities, medical schools, hospitals, and research institutions throughout the country and abroad; helping in the training of research investigators; and fostering communication of medical and health sciences information. Section 492 of the Public Health Service Act states that The Secretary....shall by regulation require appropriate technical and scientific peer review of (A) applications ...; and (B) ...biomedical and behavioral research and development contracts... The National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council provides second level peer review, makes recommendations for support of grants, contracts proposals, and cooperative agreements; advises on policy development, program implementation and evaluation; and identifies research needs of the National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

NIH supported basic and clinical research accomplishments often take many years to unfold into new diagnostic tests and new ways to treat and prevent diseases.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

39,033

Number of Recommendations Comments

The National Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Advisory Council reviewed 2,963 grant applications requesting \$1,173,534,806 in total costs in fiscal year 2018.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Information on the research funded by NIH is available through the RePORT (Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tool) website. RePORT provides access to reports, data, and analyses of NIH research activities that advance the mission of the NIH, including information on NIH expenditures, strategic plans, reports on NIH funding, and reports on the organization and people involved in NIH research and research training. The RePORT website is located at <http://report.nih.gov>. Due to the complexity of the recommendations made by this committee on policy and program areas, staff is unable to determine which recommendations have been fully or partially implemented solely in response to this committee's activities.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

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Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Recommendations are discussed in the Director's report and in the minutes of the meeting.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

An action of approved or recommended for grants receiving review by this Council does not infer that the grant will be or has been funded. Research grant applications submitted to NIH must go through a two-step review process that includes the initial peer review for scientific and technical merit and a second step of review and approval by a National Advisory Council that includes program relevance. In addition, prior to an award or funding being made, NIH staff must conduct an administrative review for a number of other considerations. These include alignment with NIH's funding principles, review of the

project budget, assessment of the applicant's management systems, determination of applicant eligibility, and compliance with public policy requirements. After all these steps have been completed, NIH officials make funding decisions on individual grant applications.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

Yes

What is the estimated Number of grants reviewed for approval 2,963

What is the estimated Number of grants recommended for approval 2,963

What is the estimated Dollar Value of grants recommended for approval \$1,173,534,806

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

N/A